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Negro Short Course Held at Piney Wood

More than 150 Negro boys and girls from 12 counties attended the South Mississippi District Short Course at Piney Woods Institute last week July 26-31st..

The great mass of colored people of this state live in small districts and look toward farming for their future means of living. Hence these meetings of boys and girls are held in various parts of the State each year to encourage better home making, better farm life and a better community for every family.

The girls were given instruction in basket making, rug weaving, bread making butter making, table setting, dairy farming, better health contests, poultry judging and dressmaking contests. The boys were given instruction in live stock judging, mechanical arts, rural engineering, white washing, poultry judging, dairying and marketing of potatoes.

Each afternoon two hours were directed to recreation, volley ball, physical culture and baseball. Each night a program rendered on some form of entertainment. The Mississippi Development Board furnished music. The directors in charge of the meeting were State agents: Mrs. A. C. Oliver, Mr. M. M. Hubert and Mr. G. C. Cypress County agents Mrs. Esther Butler Lauderdale County Miss Ethel Moman Jones; Mr. J. H. Cole Newton Mr. J. D. Handy Piney Wood: Mr. A. J. Willis Winston: Mr. J. H. Willis, Stone: Mr. J. D. Poke Warren, Mr. H. D. Ford Jefferson: Dr. E. A. Holt-

zclaw, Copiah, Mr J. R. Love, Madison: Mr. T. M. Moman Walthall. Six boys represented Neshoba County as agent Perryman could not attend The faculty of Piney Woods were a part of the teaching force.

Jones County sent seventeen representatives nine girls, eight boys, Soso, Laury Knight, Samel Murgrove Vallie Mae Thigpen, Annie Bell Ward Estabuchie, Marina Bender, Thomas Pruitt, Singleton Bender: Hoy, Matilde Keys: East Pleasant Grove Mattie Gavin, Stafford Bridges Mt. Oliver Lester Williams, Currie Settlement William Sullian, James Carrie. Sandersville, Lurline Gavin, Lurelia Samon, Mahalia Jordan, Beatrice Thigpen.

This union was one of the best ever held by negro extension workers and every effort is being made to make the session next year more profitable.

MUSING BY THE OBSERVOR

More and more the subject of the young people of this city dancing and remaining christians is becoming heated and more heated. One pastor called a few of his young backsliders together and gave them a heart to heart talk on the matter. He did not call them, together to condemn them or any thing of the kind, he even didn't want to allow any of his hard boiled deacons in the council. All he wanted to do, it seems, was to sound the opinions of those good young people and see if he could not convince them that it is wrong, absolutely wrong, to be found in a place where dancing or any of the other current pleasures are going on, theatres and so on. In this council it seems that the pleasure-lovers, as it were, gave the age-old excuse. "Some of your

NOTICE

The exhibit for Jones County will be held this year in connection with the South Mississippi Fair September 27,-Oct.-2. Space will be given for individual community exhibits as well as general club exhibit. This applies to small communities.

A space will be given for people residing in town that wish to take part. The exhibit this year will be in direct charge of Miss Ethel Moman, Home Demonstration agent and the South Mississippi Fair Association. everyone is cordially invited to make the exhibit a success.

We realize that this notice should have been out some months ago, but definite plans were not completed until Monday. For further information see or write your County agent.

good, old church members are doing all sorts of devilment, too". Personally, I do not like that excuse. It would do very well if they would not add that little adverb, "too." If every body else in the world is doing wrong, I see no reason that I should follow the crowd. If you believe that dancing is "devilment too", my dear, you should not do it. Anything that your conscience tells you is wrong, detrimental, no matter how many good church members do it, or how many other really bad acts other members do, you should not ruin your self to be in the crowd.

That is just common sense. As I say, I should like the excuse pretty well if they should leave off the word "too". I have never read the Bible through, but I remember many vital things in it, and I have never read one single direct admonition against

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